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Health & Human Service Sunday: January 31

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BOLD VISION.
SHARED VALUES.
INSPIRED LEADERS.

Each year, the United Church of Christ designates one Sunday – usually the last Sunday in January – as a day to recognize the ministries in health and human services provided by the members of the Council for Health and Human Service Ministries as well as those supported by our local churches, ministries which respond to human need with compassion and justice. This Sunday is an opportunity for congregations to lift up our common ministry of healing and service to others in Christ's name. Some local congregations might choose to observe Health and Human Service Sunday on a different date, especially on the anniversary of the founding of a ministry with which they are engaged, but the importance of lifting up these special ministries which call forth the best in UCC members is not lost whenever the observance is held. Feel free to use any of the resources offered here, or create others appropriate to your experience.

Special Celebrations for 2016

A million people are served annually by the 75 member organizations of the Council for Health and Human Service Ministries of the United Church of Christ. A million! We celebrate the 375 plus agencies represented here every day, and this year we lift up the 100th anniversary of United Church Homes. Here's a little about them from Rev. Beth Long-Higgins, Director of Outreach and Mission Integration for UCH:

In 1916 members of congregations in Toledo had a vision – that the Church should provide abundant life in a community setting for those who were aging. In 2016 United Church Homes celebrates a century of building that vision. With nine senior living campuses in Ohio and 57 affordable housing communities in 13 states and 2 Native American reservations, we transform the experience of aging for over 4,000 residents who call UCH home. On July 22-23, 2016, we will gather in Columbus, Ohio, to celebrate this rich faithful heritage of our first century, while also looking forward to the future with the churches, families, residents and staff who are a part of this living legacy of congregations putting mission in action.

United Church Homes demonstrates what happens when a **bold vision** to meet a need is met by **inspired leaders** who have **shared values** rooted in their faith. Congratulations, UCH, on your anniversary!

For more information and worship resources, visit http://www.ucc.org/health_hhs-sunday.

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